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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 3855/1-92 20 ILCS 3855/1-125 30 ILCS 500/1-10

Amends the Illinois Power Agency Act. In provisions concerning aggregation of electrical load by municipalities, townships, and counties, provides that the report to assess how the aggregation of electrical load by municipalities, townships, and counties can be used to help meet the renewable energy goals outlined in the Act shall contain, at a minimum, an assessment of other states' utilization of load aggregation in meeting renewable energy goals, any known or expected barriers to (rather than in) utilizing load aggregation for meeting renewable energy goals, and recommendations for possible changes in State law necessary for electrical load aggregation to be a driver of new renewable energy project development. Provides that the annual report by the Illinois Power Agency shall include the number (rather than amount) of megawatt hours produced by renewable energy generation capacity physically located in Illinois for the preceding delivery year. Makes another change in the Illinois Procurement Code.

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AN ACT concerning State government.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Illinois Power Agency Act is amended by 5 changing Sections 1-92 and 1-125 as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 3855/1-92)

Sec. 1-92. Aggregation of electrical load by
municipalities, townships, and counties.

9 (a) The corporate authorities of a municipality, township board, or county board of a county may adopt an ordinance under 10 which it may aggregate in accordance with this Section 11 residential and small commercial retail electrical loads 12 13 located, respectively, within the municipality, the township, 14 or the unincorporated areas of the county and, for that purpose, may solicit bids and enter into service agreements to 15 facilitate for those loads the sale and purchase 16 of electricity and related services and equipment. 17

18 The corporate authorities, township board, or county board 19 may also exercise such authority jointly with any other 20 municipality, township, or county. Two or more municipalities, 21 townships, or counties, or a combination of both, may initiate 22 a process jointly to authorize aggregation by a majority vote 23 of each particular municipality, township, or county as - 2 - LRB103 29917 AMQ 56330 b

1 required by this Section.

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2 If the corporate authorities, township board, or the 3 county board seek to operate the aggregation program as an opt-out program for residential and small commercial retail 4 5 customers, then prior to the adoption of an ordinance with respect to aggregation of residential and small commercial 6 7 retail electric loads, the corporate authorities of a 8 municipality, the township board, or the county board of a 9 county shall submit a referendum to its residents to determine 10 whether or not the aggregation program shall operate as an 11 opt-out program for residential and small commercial retail 12 customers. Any county board that seeks to submit such a 13 referendum to its residents shall do so only in unincorporated areas of the county where no electric aggregation ordinance 14 15 has been adopted.

In addition to the notice and conduct requirements of the 16 17 general election law, notice of the referendum shall state briefly the purpose of the referendum. The question of whether 18 the corporate authorities, the township board, or the county 19 20 board shall adopt an opt-out aggregation program for residential and small commercial retail customers shall be 21 22 submitted to the electors of the municipality, township board, 23 or county board at a regular election and approved by a majority of the electors voting on the question. The corporate 24 25 authorities, township board, or county board must certify to 26 the proper election authority, which must submit the question HB2787 - 3 - LRB103 29917 AMQ 56330 b

1 at an election in accordance with the Election Code.

2 The election authority must submit the question in 3 substantially the following form:

4 Shall the (municipality, township, or county in which 5 the question is being voted upon) have the authority to 6 arrange for the supply of electricity for its residential 7 and small commercial retail customers who have not opted 8 out of such program?

9 The election authority must record the votes as "Yes" or "No".

10 If a majority of the electors voting on the question vote 11 in the affirmative, then the corporate authorities, township 12 board, or county board may implement an opt-out aggregation 13 program for residential and small commercial retail customers.

14 A referendum must pass in each particular municipality, 15 township, or county that is engaged in the aggregation 16 program. If the referendum fails, then the corporate 17 authorities, township board, or county board shall operate the aggregation program as an opt-in program for residential and 18 small commercial retail customers. 19

20 An ordinance under this Section shall specify whether the 21 aggregation will occur only with the prior consent of each 22 person owning, occupying, controlling, or using an electric 23 load center proposed to be aggregated. Nothing in this 24 Section, however, authorizes the aggregation of electric loads 25 that are served or authorized to be served by an electric 26 cooperative as defined by and pursuant to the Electric 1 Supplier Act or loads served by a municipality that owns and 2 operates its own electric distribution system. No aggregation 3 shall take effect unless approved by a majority of the members 4 of the corporate authority, township board, or county board 5 voting upon the ordinance.

6 A governmental aggregator under this Section is not a 7 public utility or an alternative retail electric supplier.

For purposes of this Section, "township" means the portion 8 9 of a township that is an unincorporated portion of a county 10 that is not otherwise a part of a municipality. In addition to 11 such other limitations as are included in this Section, a 12 township board shall only have authority to aggregate 13 residential and small commercial customer loads in accordance with this Section if the county board of the county in which 14 15 the township is located (i) is not also submitting a 16 referendum to its residents at the same general election that 17 the township board proposes to submit a referendum under this subsection (a), (ii) has not received authorization through 18 19 passage of a referendum to operate an opt-out aggregation 20 program for residential and small commercial retail customers under this subsection (a), and (iii) has not otherwise enacted 21 22 an ordinance under this subsection (a) authorizing the 23 operation of an opt-in aggregation program for residential and small commercial retail customers as described in this 24 25 Section.

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(b) Upon the applicable requisite authority under this

Section, the corporate authorities, the township board, or the 1 county board, with assistance from the Illinois Power Agency, 2 3 shall develop a plan of operation and governance for the aggregation program so authorized. Before adopting a plan 4 5 under this Section, the corporate authorities, township board, or county board shall hold at least 2 public hearings on the 6 7 plan. Before the first hearing, the corporate authorities, 8 township board, or county board shall publish notice of the 9 hearings once a week for 2 consecutive weeks in a newspaper of 10 general circulation in the jurisdiction. The notice shall summarize the plan and state the date, time, and location of 11 12 each hearing. Any load aggregation plan established pursuant to this Section shall: 13

(1) provide for universal access to all applicable
 residential customers and equitable treatment of
 applicable residential customers;

17 (2) describe demand management and energy efficiency18 services to be provided to each class of customers; and

19 (3) meet any requirements established by law 20 concerning aggregated service offered pursuant to this 21 Section.

(c) The process for soliciting bids for electricity and other related services and awarding proposed agreements for the purchase of electricity and other related services shall be conducted in the following order:

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(1) The corporate authorities, township board, or

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county board may solicit bids for electricity and other 1 related services. The bid specifications may include a 2 3 provision requiring the bidder to disclose the fuel type of electricity to be procured or generated on behalf of 4 5 aggregation program customers. The corporate the 6 authorities, township board, or county board may consider 7 the proposed source of electricity to be procured or 8 generated to be put into the grid on behalf of aggregation 9 program customers in the competitive bidding process. The 10 Agency and Commission may collaborate to issue joint 11 quidance on voluntary uniform standards for bidder 12 disclosures of the source of electricity to be procured or 13 generated to be put into the grid on behalf of aggregation 14 program customers.

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15 (1.5) A township board shall request from the electric 16 utility those residential and small commercial customers 17 within their aggregate area either by zip code or zip codes or other means as determined by the electric 18 utility. The electric utility shall then provide to the 19 township board the residential and small commercial 20 21 customers, including the names and addresses of 22 residential and small commercial customers, 23 electronically. The township board shall be responsible 24 for authenticating the residential and small commercial 25 customers contained in this listing and providing edits of 26 the data to affirm, add, or delete the residential and 1 small commercial customers located within its 2 jurisdiction. The township board shall provide the edited 3 list to the electric utility in an electronic format or 4 other means selected by the electric utility and certify 5 that the information is accurate.

Notwithstanding Section 16-122 of the Public 6 (2)7 Utilities Act and Section 2HH of the Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Business Practices Act, an electric utility that 8 9 provides residential and small commercial retail electric 10 service in the aggregate area must, upon request of the 11 corporate authorities, township board, or the county board 12 in the aggregate area, submit to the requesting party, in an electronic format, those account numbers, names, and 13 addresses of residential and small commercial retail 14 15 customers in the aggregate area that are reflected in the 16 electric utility's records at the time of the request; 17 provided, however, that any township board has first provided an accurate customer list to the electric utility 18 19 as provided for herein.

20 Any corporate authority, township board, or county board receiving customer information from an electric utility shall 21 22 be subject to the limitations on the disclosure of the 23 information described in Section 16-122 of the Public 24 Utilities Act and Section 2HH of the Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Business Practices Act, and an electric utility 25 26 shall not be held liable for any claims arising out of the

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1 provision of information pursuant to this item (2).

2 (d) If the corporate authorities, township board, or 3 county board operate under an opt-in program for residential 4 and small commercial retail customers, then the corporate 5 authorities, township board, or county board shall comply with 6 all of the following:

7 (1) Within 60 days after receiving the bids, the 8 corporate authorities, township board, or county board 9 shall allow residential and small commercial retail 10 customers to commit to the terms and conditions of a bid 11 that has been selected by the corporate authorities, 12 township board, or county board.

13 (2) If (A) the corporate authorities, township board, 14 or county board award proposed agreements for the purchase of electricity and other related services and (B) an 15 16 agreement is reached between the corporate authorities, 17 township board, or county board for those services, then customers committed to the terms and conditions according 18 to item (1) of this subsection (d) shall be committed to 19 20 the agreement.

(e) If the corporate authorities, township board, or county board operate as an opt-out program for residential and small commercial retail customers, then it shall be the duty of the aggregated entity to fully inform residential and small commercial retail customers in advance that they have the right to opt out of the aggregation program. The disclosure

shall prominently state all charges to be made and shall 1 2 include full disclosure of the cost to obtain service pursuant to Section 16-103 of the Public Utilities Act, how to access 3 it, and the fact that it is available to them without penalty, 4 5 if they are currently receiving service under that Section. The Illinois Power Agency shall furnish, without charge, to 6 any citizen a list of all supply options available to them in a 7 format that allows comparison of prices and products. 8

9 (f) Any person or entity retained by a municipality or 10 county, or jointly by more than one such unit of local 11 government, to provide input, guidance, or advice in the 12 selection of an electricity supplier for an aggregation 13 program shall disclose in writing to the involved units of local government the nature of any relationship through which 14 15 the person or entity may receive, either directly or 16 indirectly, commissions or other remuneration as a result of 17 the selection of any particular electricity supplier. The written disclosure must be made prior to formal approval by 18 the involved units of local government of any professional 19 20 services agreement with the person or entity, or no later than October 1, 2012 with respect to any such professional services 21 22 agreement entered into prior to the effective date of this 23 amendatory Act of the 97th General Assembly. The disclosure shall cover all direct and indirect relationships through 24 25 which commissions or remuneration may result, including the 26 pooling of commissions or remuneration among multiple persons

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or entities, and shall identify all involved electricity 1 2 suppliers. The disclosure requirements in this subsection (f) are to be liberally construed to ensure that the nature of 3 financial interests are fully revealed, and these disclosure 4 5 requirements shall apply regardless of whether the involved person or entity is licensed under Section 16-115C of the 6 Public Utilities Act. Any person or entity that fails to make 7 the disclosure required under this subsection (f) is liable to 8 9 the involved units of local government in an amount equal to 10 all compensation paid to such person or entity by the units of 11 local government for the input, guidance, or advice in the 12 of electricity supplier, plus selection an reasonable 13 attorneys fees and court costs incurred by the units of local government in connection with obtaining such amount. 14

(g) The Illinois Power Agency shall provide assistance to municipalities, townships, counties, or associations working with municipalities to help complete the plan and bidding process.

(h) This Section does not prohibit municipalities or counties from entering into an intergovernmental agreement to aggregate residential and small commercial retail electric loads.

(i) No later than June 1, 2023, the Illinois Power Agency
shall produce a report assessing how <u>the</u> aggregation of
electrical load by municipalities, townships, and counties can
be used to help meet the renewable energy goals outlined in

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this Act. This report shall contain, at a minimum, 1 an 2 assessment of other states' utilization of load aggregation in 3 meeting renewable energy goals, any known or expected barriers to in utilizing load aggregation for meeting renewable energy 4 5 goals, and recommendations for possible changes in State law necessary for electrical load aggregation to be a driver of 6 7 new renewable energy project development. This report shall be 8 published on the Agency's website and delivered to the 9 Governor and General Assembly. To assist with developing this 10 report, the Agency may retain the services of its expert 11 consulting firm used to develop its procurement plans as 12 provided in paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of Section 1-75. (Source: P.A. 102-662, eff. 9-15-21.) 13

14 (20 ILCS 3855/1-125)

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15 Sec. 1-125. Agency annual reports.

(a) By February 15 of each year, the Agency shall report
annually to the Governor and the General Assembly on the
operations and transactions of the Agency. The annual report
shall include, but not be limited to, each of the following:

(1) The average quantity, price, and term of all
 contracts for electricity procured under the procurement
 plans for electric utilities.

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(3) The quantity, price, and rate impact of all energy
 efficiency and demand response measures purchased for

electric utilities, and any measures included in the procurement plan pursuant to Section 16-111.5B of the Public Utilities Act.

4 (4) The amount of power and energy produced by each
5 Agency facility.

6 (5) The quantity of electricity supplied by each 7 Agency facility to municipal electric systems, 8 governmental aggregators, or rural electric cooperatives 9 in Illinois.

10 (6) The revenues as allocated by the Agency to each11 facility.

12 (7) The costs as allocated by the Agency to each13 facility.

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(8) The accumulated depreciation for each facility.

(9) The status of any projects under development.

16 (10)Basic financial and operating information 17 specifically detailed for the reporting year and including, but not limited to, income and expense 18 19 statements, balance sheets, and changes in financial 20 position, all in accordance with generally accepted 21 accounting principles, debt structure, and a summary of 22 funds on a cash basis.

(11) The average quantity, price, contract type and
 term, and rate impact of all renewable resources procured
 under the long-term renewable resources procurement plans
 for electric utilities.

1 (12) A comparison of the costs associated with the 2 Agency's procurement of renewable energy resources to (A) 3 the Agency's costs associated with electricity generated 4 by other types of generation facilities and (B) the 5 benefits associated with the Agency's procurement of 6 renewable energy resources.

7 (13) An analysis of the rate impacts associated with 8 Illinois Power Agency's procurement of renewable the 9 resources, including, but not limited to, any long-term 10 contracts, on the eligible retail customers of electric 11 utilities. The analysis shall include the Agency's 12 estimate of the total dollar impact that the Agency's 13 procurement of renewable resources has had on the annual 14 electricity bills of the customer classes that comprise 15 each eligible retail customer class taking service from an 16 electric utility.

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(b) In addition to reporting on the transactions and operations of the Agency, the Agency shall also endeavor to report on the following items through its annual report, recognizing that full and accurate information may not be available for certain items:

(1) The overall nameplate capacity amount of installed
and scheduled renewable energy generation capacity
physically located in Illinois.

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(2) The percentage of installed and scheduled

renewable energy generation capacity as a share of overall
 electricity generation capacity physically located in
 Illinois.

4 (3) The <u>number</u> amount of megawatt hours produced by
5 renewable energy generation capacity physically located in
6 Illinois for the preceding delivery year.

7 (4) The percentage of megawatt hours produced by
8 renewable energy generation capacity physically located in
9 Illinois as a share of overall electricity generation from
10 facilities physically located in Illinois for the
11 preceding delivery year.

12 (5) The renewable portfolio standard expenditures made pursuant to paragraph (1) of subsection (c) of Section 13 1-75 and the total scheduled and installed renewable 14 15 generation capacity expected to result from these 16 investments. This information shall include the total cost 17 of REC delivery contracts of the renewable portfolio standard by project category, including, but not limited 18 19 to, renewable energy credits delivery contracts entered 20 into pursuant to subparagraphs (C), (G), (K), and (R) of paragraph (1) of subsection (c) Section 1-75. The Agency 21 22 shall also report on the total amount of customer load 23 renewable portfolio standard featuring compliance 24 obligations scheduled to be met by self-direct customers 25 pursuant to subparagraph (R) of paragraph (1)of 26 subsection (c) of Section 1-75, as well as the minimum

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annual quantities of renewable energy credits scheduled to be retired by those customers and amount of installed renewable energy generating capacity used to meet the requirements of subparagraph (R) of paragraph (1) of subsection (c) of Section 1-75.

The Agency may seek assistance from the Illinois Commerce 6 7 Commission in developing its annual report and may also retain 8 the services of its expert consulting firm used to develop its 9 procurement plans as outlined in paragraph (1) of subsection 10 (a) of Section 1-75. Confidential or commercially sensitive 11 business information provided by retail customers, alternative 12 retail electric suppliers, or other parties shall be kept confidential by the Agency consistent with Section 1-120, but 13 may be publicly reported in aggregate form. 14

15 (Source: P.A. 102-662, eff. 9-15-21.)

Section 10. The Illinois Procurement Code is amended by changing Section 1-10 as follows:

18 (30 ILCS 500/1-10)

19 Sec. 1-10. Application.

(a) This Code applies only to procurements for which
bidders, offerors, potential contractors, or contractors were
first solicited on or after July 1, 1998. This Code shall not
be construed to affect or impair any contract, or any
provision of a contract, entered into based on a solicitation

prior to the implementation date of this Code as described in 1 2 Article 99, including, but not limited to, any covenant 3 entered into with respect to any revenue bonds or similar instruments. All procurements for which contracts 4 are 5 solicited between the effective date of Articles 50 and 99 and July 1, 1998 shall be substantially in accordance with this 6 7 Code and its intent.

8 (b) This Code shall apply regardless of the source of the 9 funds with which the contracts are paid, including federal 10 assistance moneys. This Code shall not apply to:

(1) Contracts between the State and its political subdivisions or other governments, or between State governmental bodies, except as specifically provided in this Code.

15 (2) Grants, except for the filing requirements of16 Section 20-80.

17 (3) Purchase of care, except as provided in Section
18 5-30.6 of the Illinois Public Aid Code and this Section.

19 (4) Hiring of an individual as an employee and not as 20 an independent contractor, whether pursuant to an 21 employment code or policy or by contract directly with 22 that individual.

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(5) Collective bargaining contracts.

(6) Purchase of real estate, except that notice of
this type of contract with a value of more than \$25,000
must be published in the Procurement Bulletin within 10

calendar days after the deed is recorded in the county of jurisdiction. The notice shall identify the real estate purchased, the names of all parties to the contract, the value of the contract, and the effective date of the contract.

6 (7) Contracts necessary to prepare for anticipated 7 litigation, enforcement actions, or investigations, provided that the chief legal counsel to the Governor 8 9 shall give his or her prior approval when the procuring 10 agency is one subject to the jurisdiction of the Governor, 11 and provided that the chief legal counsel of any other 12 procuring entity subject to this Code shall give his or 13 her prior approval when the procuring entity is not one 14 subject to the jurisdiction of the Governor.

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(8) (Blank).

(10) (Blank).

16 (9) Procurement expenditures by the Illinois17 Conservation Foundation when only private funds are used.

19 (11) Public-private agreements entered into according 20 to the procurement requirements of Section 20 of the 21 Public-Private Partnerships for Transportation Act and 22 design-build agreements entered into according to the 23 requirements Section 25 procurement of of the 24 Public-Private Partnerships for Transportation Act.

(12) (A) Contracts for legal, financial, and other
 professional and artistic services entered into by the

1 Illinois Finance Authority in which the State of Illinois 2 is not obligated. Such contracts shall be awarded through 3 a competitive process authorized by the members of the 4 Illinois Finance Authority and are subject to Sections 5 5-30, 20-160, 50-13, 50-20, 50-35, and 50-37 of this Code, 6 as well as the final approval by the members of the 7 Illinois Finance Authority of the terms of the contract.

(B) Contracts for legal and financial services entered 8 9 into by the Illinois Housing Development Authority in 10 connection with the issuance of bonds in which the State 11 of Illinois is not obligated. Such contracts shall be 12 awarded through a competitive process authorized by the members of the Illinois Housing Development Authority and 13 are subject to Sections 5-30, 20-160, 50-13, 50-20, 50-35, 14 15 and 50-37 of this Code, as well as the final approval by 16 the members of the Illinois Housing Development Authority 17 of the terms of the contract.

Contracts for services, commodities, 18 (13)and 19 equipment to support the delivery of timely forensic 20 science services in consultation with and subject to the approval of the Chief Procurement Officer as provided in 21 22 subsection (d) of Section 5-4-3a of the Unified Code of 23 Corrections, except for the requirements of Sections 20-60, 20-65, 20-70, and 20-160 and Article 50 of this 24 25 Code; however, the Chief Procurement Officer may, in 26 writing with justification, waive any certification

required under Article 50 of this Code. For any contracts for services which are currently provided by members of a collective bargaining agreement, the applicable terms of the collective bargaining agreement concerning subcontracting shall be followed.

6 On and after January 1, 2019, this paragraph (13), 7 except for this sentence, is inoperative.

8 (14) Contracts for participation expenditures required 9 by a domestic or international trade show or exhibition of 10 an exhibitor, member, or sponsor.

11 (15)Contracts with a railroad or utility that 12 requires the State to reimburse the railroad or utilities 13 for the relocation of utilities for construction or other 14 public purpose. Contracts included within this paragraph 15 (15)shall include, but not be limited to, those 16 associated with: relocations, crossings, installations, 17 and maintenance. For the purposes of this paragraph (15), "railroad" 18 means any form of non-highway ground 19 transportation that runs on rails or electromagnetic guideways and "utility" means: (1) public utilities as 20 defined in Section 3-105 of the Public Utilities Act, (2) 21 22 telecommunications carriers as defined in Section 13-202 23 of the Public Utilities Act, (3) electric cooperatives as defined in Section 3.4 of the Electric Supplier Act, (4) 24 25 telephone or telecommunications cooperatives as defined in 26 Section 13-212 of the Public Utilities Act, (5) rural

water or waste water systems with 10,000 connections or less, (6) a holder as defined in Section 21-201 of the Public Utilities Act, and (7) municipalities owning or operating utility systems consisting of public utilities as that term is defined in Section 11-117-2 of the Illinois Municipal Code.

7 (16) Procurement expenditures necessary for the
8 Department of Public Health to provide the delivery of
9 timely newborn screening services in accordance with the
10 Newborn Metabolic Screening Act.

11 (17)Procurement expenditures necessary for the 12 Department of Agriculture, the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, the Department of Human Services, 13 14 and the Department of Public Health to implement the 15 Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program and Opioid 16 Alternative Pilot Program requirements and ensure access 17 to medical cannabis for patients with debilitating medical conditions in accordance with the Compassionate Use of 18 19 Medical Cannabis Program Act.

20 (18) This Code does not apply to any procurements 21 necessary for the Department of Agriculture, the 22 Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, the 23 Department of Human Services, the Department of Commerce 24 and Economic Opportunity, and the Department of Public 25 Health to implement the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act if 26 the applicable agency has made a good faith determination

1	that it is necessary and appropriate for the expenditure
2	to fall within this exemption and if the process is
3	conducted in a manner substantially in accordance with the
4	requirements of Sections 20-160, 25-60, 30-22, 50-5,
5	50-10, 50-10.5, 50-12, 50-13, 50-15, 50-20, 50-21, 50-35,
6	50-36, 50-37, 50-38, and 50-50 of this Code; however, for
7	Section 50-35, compliance applies only to contracts or
8	subcontracts over \$100,000. Notice of each contract
9	entered into under this paragraph (18) that is related to
10	the procurement of goods and services identified in
11	paragraphs paragraph (1) through (9) of this subsection
12	shall be published in the Procurement Bulletin within 14
13	calendar days after contract execution. The Chief
14	Procurement Officer shall prescribe the form and content
15	of the notice. Each agency shall provide the Chief
16	Procurement Officer, on a monthly basis, in the form and
17	content prescribed by the Chief Procurement Officer, a
18	report of contracts that are related to the procurement of
19	goods and services identified in this subsection. At a
20	minimum, this report shall include the name of the
21	contractor, a description of the supply or service
22	provided, the total amount of the contract, the term of
23	the contract, and the exception to this Code utilized. A
24	copy of any or all of these contracts shall be made
25	available to the Chief Procurement Officer immediately
26	upon request. The Chief Procurement Officer shall submit a

report to the Governor and General Assembly no later than 1 November 1 of each year that includes, at a minimum, an 2 3 annual summary of the monthly information reported to the Chief Procurement Officer. This exemption 4 becomes 5 inoperative 5 years after June 25, 2019 (the effective 6 date of Public Act 101-27).

7 (19) Acquisition of modifications or adjustments, 8 limited to assistive technology devices and assistive 9 technology services, adaptive equipment, repairs, and 10 replacement parts to provide reasonable accommodations (i) 11 that enable a qualified applicant with a disability to 12 complete the job application process and be considered for 13 the position such qualified applicant desires, (ii) that 14 modify or adjust the work environment to enable a 15 qualified current employee with a disability to perform 16 the essential functions of the position held by that 17 employee, (iii) to enable a qualified current employee with a disability to enjoy equal benefits and privileges 18 19 of employment as are enjoyed by other similarly situated 20 employees without disabilities, and (iv) that allow a customer, client, claimant, or member of the public 21 22 seeking State services full use and enjoyment of and 23 access to its programs, services, or benefits.

For purposes of this paragraph (19):

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25 "Assistive technology devices" means any item, piece
26 of equipment, or product system, whether acquired

commercially off the shelf, modified, or customized, that
 is used to increase, maintain, or improve functional
 capabilities of individuals with disabilities.

4 "Assistive technology services" means any service that
5 directly assists an individual with a disability in
6 selection, acquisition, or use of an assistive technology
7 device.

8 "Qualified" has the same meaning and use as provided 9 under the federal Americans with Disabilities Act when 10 describing an individual with a disability.

11 (20)Procurement expenditures necessary for the 12 Illinois Commerce Commission to hire third-party facilitators pursuant to Sections 16-105.17 and 16-108.18 13 14 of the Public Utilities Act or an ombudsman pursuant to 15 Section 16-107.5 of the Public Utilities Act, a 16 facilitator pursuant to Section 16-105.17 of the Public 17 Utilities Act, or a grid auditor pursuant to Section 16-105.10 of the Public Utilities Act. 18

19 (21) Procurement expenditures for the purchase, 20 renewal, and expansion of software, software licenses, or 21 software maintenance agreements that support the efforts 22 of the Illinois State Police to enforce, regulate, and 23 administer the Firearm Owners Identification Card Act, the 24 Firearm Concealed Carry Act, the Firearms Restraining 25 Order Act, the Firearm Dealer License Certification Act, 26 the Law Enforcement Agencies Data System (LEADS), the

Uniform Crime Reporting Act, the Criminal Identification 1 2 Act, the Uniform Conviction Information Act, and the Gun Trafficking Information Act, or establish or maintain 3 record management systems necessary to conduct human 4 5 trafficking investigations or gun trafficking or other stolen firearm investigations. This paragraph (21) applies 6 to contracts entered into on or after the effective date 7 8 of this amendatory Act of the 102nd General Assembly and 9 the renewal of contracts that are in effect on the 10 effective date of this amendatory Act of the 102nd General 11 Assembly.

12 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, for contracts with an annual value of more than \$100,000 entered into on or 13 14 after October 1, 2017 under an exemption provided in any 15 paragraph of this subsection (b), except paragraph (1), (2), 16 (5), each State agency shall post to the appropriate or 17 procurement bulletin the name of the contractor, a description of the supply or service provided, the total amount of the 18 19 contract, the term of the contract, and the exception to the 20 Code utilized. The chief procurement officer shall submit a report to the Governor and General Assembly no later than 21 22 November 1 of each year that shall include, at a minimum, an 23 annual summary of the monthly information reported to the 24 chief procurement officer.

(c) This Code does not apply to the electric power
 procurement process provided for under Section 1-75 of the

Illinois Power Agency Act and Section 16-111.5 of the Public
 Utilities Act.

3 (d) Except for Section 20-160 and Article 50 of this Code,
4 and as expressly required by Section 9.1 of the Illinois
5 Lottery Law, the provisions of this Code do not apply to the
6 procurement process provided for under Section 9.1 of the
7 Illinois Lottery Law.

8 (e) This Code does not apply to the process used by the 9 Capital Development Board to retain a person or entity to 10 assist the Capital Development Board with its duties related 11 to the determination of costs of a clean coal SNG brownfield 12 facility, as defined by Section 1-10 of the Illinois Power Agency Act, as required in subsection (h-3) of Section 9-220 13 of the Public Utilities Act, including calculating the range 14 15 of capital costs, the range of operating and maintenance 16 costs, or the sequestration costs or monitoring the 17 construction of clean coal SNG brownfield facility for the full duration of construction. 18

19 (f) (Blank).

20 (g) (Blank).

(h) This Code does not apply to the process to procure or
contracts entered into in accordance with Sections 11-5.2 and
11-5.3 of the Illinois Public Aid Code.

(i) Each chief procurement officer may access records
 necessary to review whether a contract, purchase, or other
 expenditure is or is not subject to the provisions of this

Code, unless such records would be subject to attorney-client
 privilege.

3 (j) This Code does not apply to the process used by the 4 Capital Development Board to retain an artist or work or works 5 of art as required in Section 14 of the Capital Development 6 Board Act.

7 (k) This Code does not apply to the process to procure 8 contracts, or contracts entered into, by the State Board of 9 Elections or the State Electoral Board for hearing officers 10 appointed pursuant to the Election Code.

(1) This Code does not apply to the processes used by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission to procure supplies and services paid for from the private funds of the Illinois Prepaid Tuition Fund. As used in this subsection (1), "private funds" means funds derived from deposits paid into the Illinois Prepaid Tuition Trust Fund and the earnings thereon.

17 (m) This Code shall apply regardless of the source of funds with which contracts are paid, including federal 18 19 assistance moneys. Except as specifically provided in this 20 Code, this Code shall not apply to procurement expenditures necessary for the Department of Public Health to conduct the 21 22 Healthy Illinois Survey in accordance with Section 2310-431 of 23 the Department of Public Health Powers and Duties Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. 24

25 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-81, eff. 7-12-19;
26 101-363, eff. 8-9-19; 102-175, eff. 7-29-21; 102-483, eff

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1 1-1-22; 102-558, eff. 8-20-21; 102-600, eff. 8-27-21; 102-662, 2 eff. 9-15-21; 102-721, eff. 1-1-23; 102-813, eff. 5-13-22; 3 102-1116, eff. 1-10-23.)